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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

1. through 19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently Amended) ~~The A food serving container as set forth in claim 19, further~~ for keeping food articles chilled, the food serving container comprising:

an exterior bowl member being adapted for being positioned on a support surface;

a cooling member being selectively positioned against an interior surface of said exterior bowl member, said cooling member being adapted for being frozen;

an interior bowl member being selectively coupled to said exterior bowl member to form a chamber between said interior bowl member and said exterior bowl member such that said cooling member is positioned between said interior bowl member and said external bowl member when said cooling member is positioned against said exterior bowl member and said interior bowl member is coupled to said exterior bowl member, said interior bowl member being substantially concave for receiving the food articles, said cooling member cooling the food articles in said interior bowl member to inhibit spoiling of the food articles positioned in said interior bowl member;

a lid member removably mountable on said interior bowl member and said exterior bowl member, a serving aperture extending through said lid member such that contents of said interior bowl member is accessible without removing any portion of said lid member from mounting on said bowl members;

said exterior bowl member comprising a peripheral wall, said peripheral wall defining closed interior space of said exterior bowl member.

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25 said interior space of said exterior bowl member being isolated from said
26 cooling member when said cooling member is positioned between said
27 interior bowl member and said exterior bowl member for insulating said
28 cooling member from heat transferring through said peripheral wall of said
29 exterior bowl member;

30 said interior space of said exterior bowl member containing an
31 insulating fluid, said insulating fluid being for inhibiting thermal transfer
32 through said exterior bowl member;

33 said insulating fluid comprising a substantially inert gas, said
34 substantially inert gas providing insulation for said cooling member to
35 insulate said cooling member from heat outside of said exterior bowl
36 member;

37 said exterior bowl member comprising a lip member extending
38 inwardly from a top edge of said exterior bowl member, said interior bowl
39 member comprising an indentation extending into said interior bowl member
40 from a peripheral edge of said interior bowl member, said indentation of
41 said interior bowl member selectively receiving said lip member of said
42 exterior bowl member to selectively secure said interior bowl member to
43 said exterior bowl member;

44 said cooling member comprising a perimeter wall, said perimeter wall
45 defining a plurality of compartments of said cooling member, each of said
46 compartments being for containing a gelatinous compound, said gelatinous
47 compound being adapted for being frozen such that said gelatinous
48 compound is for chilling the food articles positioned in said interior bowl
49 member; and

50 said compartments of said cooling member comprising a base
51 compartment and a plurality of wall compartments, said base compartment
52 being positioned adjacent a base portion of said exterior bowl member when
53 said cooling member is positioned against said exterior bowl member, said
54 wall compartments of said cooling member being radially positioned around
55 said base compartment such that said wall compartments are positioned

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56 against a wall portion of said exterior bowl member when said cooling
57 member is positioned against said exterior bowl member:

58 a cover assembly being coupled to said lid member, said cover
59 assembly being positioned over said serving aperture of said lid member
60 such that said cover assembly is movable between a closed position and an
61 open position, said open position permitting access to food articles in said
62 interior bowl member through said serving aperture, said closed position
63 selectively limiting access to the food articles in said interior bowl member
64 through said serving aperture;

65 said cover assembly comprising a dome member and a shell member,
66 said dome member being coupled to said lid member such that said dome
67 member is positioned over a portion of said serving aperture of said lid
68 member, said shell member being pivotally coupled to said lid member such
69 that said shell member is for selectively covering the portion of said serving
70 aperture not covered by said dome member, said shell member being nested
71 with said dome member to permit access to said serving aperture when said
72 shell member is pivoted with respect to said lid member;

73 said dome member of said cover assembly being substantially
74 hemispherical shaped, said shell member of said cover assembly being
75 substantially hemispherical shaped, said shell member having a radius less
76 than a radius of said dome member such that said shell member is pivotable
77 inside said dome member when said shell member is pivoted with respect to
78 said lid member.

21. through 22. (Cancelled)